

for pain management, taking into consideration:

- Existing pain management research and other relevant research;
- Recommendations from relevant conferences and existing evidence-based guidelines;
- Ongoing efforts at the state and local level and by medical professional organizations to develop improved pain management strategies;
- The management of high-risk populations who receive opioids in the course of medical care, other than for pain management;
- The 2016 Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain issued by the CDC; and
- Private sector, State, and local government efforts related to pain management and prescribing pain medication.

- Provide the public with at least ninety (90) days to submit comments on any proposed updates and recommendations.

- Develop a strategy for dissemination of information on best practices for pain management to stakeholders, if appropriate.

The Draft Report highlights the progress made towards identifying, reviewing, and determining whether there are gaps in or inconsistencies between best practices for pain management (including chronic and acute pain) developed or adopted by Federal agencies. It includes the Task Force's proposed updates to best practices and recommendations on addressing gaps or inconsistencies. On September 26, 2018, the Task Force voted on the proposed updates and recommendations that would be provided to the public for comment. The proposed updates and recommendations are included in the Draft Report. Once the ninety (90) day comment period concludes, the Task Force will consider comments received and compile a Final Recommendations Report with its proposed updates and recommendations.

Request for Comment: The goal of this Request for Comment is to solicit feedback on the Draft Report, which includes the Task Force's proposed updates and recommendations. The Task Force invites comment on the full range of issues that may be relevant to the proposed updates and recommendations.

Instructions for Commenters: Written comments should not exceed three pages in length. To assist with the review of public comments, the public should cite a specific section, gap and/or recommendation of the report (*e.g.*,

acute pain, gap 2 or recommendation 2b) for which the comments are related. Comments that contain references to studies, research, and other empirical data that are not widely available should include copies of the referenced materials with the submitted comments. Comments submitted by email should be machine-readable and should not be copy-protected. Responders are encouraged to include the name of the person or organization filing the comment, in case follow-up is needed, as well as a page number on each page of their submission(s).

Written comments may be submitted by any of the following three methods: (1) Submit through the Federal eRulemaking Portal at <http://www.regulations.gov>, Docket Number: HHS-OS-2018-0027, (2) Email to: paintaskforce@hhs.gov, or (3) Mail written comments to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health, 200 Independence Avenue SW, Room 736E, Attn: Alicia Richmond Scott, Pain Management Task Force Designated Federal Officer, Washington, DC 20201.

Dated: December 11, 2018.

Vanila M. Singh,

Chief Medical Officer, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Health.

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INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION

[Investigation No. 337-TA-1105]

Certain Programmable Logic Controller (PLCs), Components Thereof, and Products Containing Same; Commission Determination Not To Review an Initial Determination Terminating the Investigation in Its Entirety; Termination of Investigation

AGENCY: U.S. International Trade Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given that the U.S. International Trade Commission has determined not to review an initial determination ("ID") (Order No. 24) granting a motion by Complainant Radwell International, Inc., of Willingboro, New Jersey ("Radwell") to terminate the above-captioned investigation in its entirety by reason of withdrawal of its complaint. The investigation is hereby terminated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carl P. Bretscher, Office of the General Counsel, U.S. International Trade

Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone 202-205-2382. Copies of non-confidential documents filed in connection with this investigation are or will be available for inspection during official business hours (8:45 a.m. to 5:15 p.m.) in the Office of the Secretary, U.S. International Trade Commission, 500 E Street SW, Washington, DC 20436, telephone 202-205-2000. General information concerning the Commission may also be obtained by accessing its internet server (<https://www.usitc.gov>). The public record for this investigation may be viewed on the Commission's electronic docket (EDIS) at <https://edis.usitc.gov>. Hearing-impaired persons are advised that information on this matter can be obtained by contacting the Commission's TDD terminal on 202-205-1810.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Commission instituted this investigation on March 29, 2018, based on a Complaint filed by Radwell. 83 FR 13515-16 (Mar. 29, 2018). The Complaint alleges violations of Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended, 19 U.S.C. 1337, in the importation into the United States, sale for importation, and sale within the United States after importation of certain programmable logic controllers ("PLCs"), components thereof, and products containing same by reason of: (1) A conspiracy to fix resale prices in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act; (2) a conspiracy to boycott resellers in violation of Section 1 of the Sherman Act; and (3) monopolization in violation of Section 2 of the Sherman Act, the threat or effect of which is to destroy or substantially injure a domestic industry in the United States, or to restrain or monopolize trade and commerce in the United States. *Id.* The notice of investigation names Rockwell Automation, Inc. ("Rockwell") of Milwaukee, Wisconsin as Respondent. *Id.* The Office of Unfair Import Investigations ("OUII") was also named as a party to the investigation. *Id.* Non-party North Coast Electric Company was later added as an intervenor. Comm'n Notice (July 27, 2018) (*aff'g* Order No. 10 (July 9, 2018)), 83 FR 37516 (Aug. 1, 2018).

On November 8, 2018, Radwell filed an opposed motion to terminate the investigation in its entirety by withdrawal of its complaint, pursuant to Commission Rule 210.21(a)(1), 19 CFR 210.21(a)(1). On November 19, 2018, Rockwell filed an opposition to the motion. On the same date, OUII filed a response supporting Radwell's motion.

On November 29, 2018, the ALJ issued the subject ID (Order No. 24) granting Radwell's motion to terminate the investigation. The ALJ found no extraordinary circumstance that precluded terminating the investigation based on Radwell's withdrawal of the complaint.

On December 7, 2018, Rockwell filed a petition for review and reversal of the ID. On December 14, 2018, both Radwell and OUII filed oppositions to Rockwell's petition.

Upon consideration of the subject ID, the petition for review and responses thereto, and relevant statutory and judicial authority, the Commission has determined not to review the subject ID and accordingly terminates the above-captioned investigation.

The authority for the Commission's determination is contained in Section 337 of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (19 U.S.C. 1337), and in Part 210 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (19 CFR part 210).

By order of the Commission.

Issued: December 21, 2018.

Lisa Barton,

Secretary to the Commission.

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NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION

Notice of Permit Applications Received Under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978

AGENCY: National Science Foundation.

ACTION: Notice of permit applications received.

SUMMARY: The National Science Foundation (NSF) is required to publish a notice of permit applications received to conduct activities regulated under the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978. NSF has published regulations under the Antarctic Conservation Act in the Code of Federal Regulations. This is the required notice of permit applications received.

DATES: Interested parties are invited to submit written data, comments, or views with respect to this permit application by January 30, 2019. This application may be inspected by interested parties at the Permit Office, address below.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be addressed to Permit Office, Office of Polar Programs, National Science Foundation, 2415 Eisenhower Avenue, Alexandria, Virginia 22314.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nature McGinn, ACA Permit Officer, at the above address, 703-292-8030, or ACApermits@nsf.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The National Science Foundation, as directed by the Antarctic Conservation Act of 1978 (Pub. L. 95-541, 45 CFR 670), as amended by the Antarctic Science, Tourism and Conservation Act of 1996, has developed regulations for the establishment of a permit system for various activities in Antarctica and designation of certain animals and certain geographic areas requiring special protection. The regulations establish such a permit system to designate Antarctic Specially Protected Areas.

Application Details

1. *Applicant* Permit Application: 2019-013

Kim Bernard, 104 CEOAS Admin. Bldg., Oregon State University, Corvallis, OR, 97330.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Introduce Non-Indigenous Species into Antarctica. The applicant, a researcher supported by NSF, would bring the diatom species, *Fragilariopsis cylindrus*, to Palmer Station for a six-month feeding study involving Antarctic krill. This species was originally harvested in Antarctic waters and was cultured at the University of Washington. Using the diatom culture, rather than culturing newly collected local diatoms, would allow the study to commence in a timely manner and significantly enhance the potential for a successful long-term feeding study. Aquarium tanks used in the feeding study would have filters attached to the out-flow that will trap the diatoms as they leave the tank and prevent them from entering the local system. The applicant would use in-line filter holders with Whatman GF/F filters. The filters would be checked daily to ensure they are functioning as needed and would be replaced as often as necessary. Once removed, the filters would be dried and disposed of, thereby preventing any contamination of local waters with the diatom culture.

Location

Palmer Station, Antarctic Peninsula.

Dates of Permitted Activities

04/12/2019-10/31/2019.

2. *Applicant* Permit Application: 2019-014

Michelle Shero, 266 Woods Hole Road, Woods Hole, MA 02540.

Activity for Which Permit Is Requested

Take, Harmful Interference, Import into USA. The applicant is requesting a permit in support of a study of the energy dynamics, foraging behaviors, and reproductive output of female Weddell seals (*Leptonychotes weddellii*) in Erebus Bay and Cape Colbeck, Antarctica. The applicant would evaluate endocrine profiles, body composition, and dive efforts of female Weddell seals across the year, to provide links with the probability of pregnancy and carrying the pregnancy to full-term. The applicant would develop non-invasive photogrammetric techniques using remotely piloted aircraft systems (RPAS) to estimate mass and energy dynamics of a much larger number of animals than would be possible via ground survey. To achieve project goals, a cohort of 25 animals in Erebus Bay or Cape Colbeck, Antarctica would undergo health assessments in both October-November and February-March each year (blood draws, morphometric measurements, satellite tagging, RPAS photogrammetry; 50 seals per year), while RPAS surveys will be conducted for the population. Dive recorders would also be deployed, and subsequently recovered during the following year (25 animals). Research activities would be conducted as part of a larger assessment of Weddell seals in the Ross Sea MPA, led by the New Zealand Antarctic Program. The NZ program would be leading animal handling procedures and all instrumentation of the animals. The applicant would be joining the project as collaborators, primarily for the purpose of conducting physiological studies and RPAS surveys. Up to 500 crabeater seals (*Lobodon carcinophagus*) may be unintentionally disturbed during ground or RPAS surveys. The applicant would also salvage up to 12 Weddell seals, all ages and sexes, found dead and dies of natural causes.

Location

Erebus Bay and Cape Colbeck, Antarctica.

Dates of Permitted Activities

February 1, 2019-January 31, 2024.

Susanne H. Plimpton,

Reports Clearance Officer, National Science Foundation.

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